

REMARKS

In view of the following discussion, the Applicants submit that none of the claims now pending in the application are unpatentable under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Thus, the Applicants believe that all of the remaining claims are now in allowable form.

I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 13, 14 AND 16-18 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner rejected claims 13, 14 and 16-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph and second paragraph. Responsive to the Examiner, the Applicants herein cancel claims 13, 14 and 16-18 without prejudice. The Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications to continue prosecution of any of the canceled claims. Thus, the present rejection is now moot.

II. ALLOWED CLAIMS

The Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9, 10 and 12 are allowed.

CONCLUSION

Thus, the Applicants submit that all of these claims now fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Consequently, the Applicants believe that all these claims are presently in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring the issuance of a final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Kin-Wah Tong, Esq. at (732) 842-8110 x130 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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